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In re Application of: ) Art Unit: 1655  
MOTOYAMA et al ) Examiner: J. Taylor  
Appln. No.: 09/762,633 ) Washington, D.C.  
Filed: February 12, 2001 ) August 16, 2001  
For: GENES FOR DETECTING ) Atty.Docket: MOTOYAMA=1  
BACTERIA AND A METHOD FOR )  
DETECTING BACTERIA BY )  
USING THE GENES )

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH  
SEQUENCE LISTING REQUIREMENTS

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply dated July 25,  
2001, and prior to the examination of the above-described  
application, please amend the present application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the two paragraphs beginning at page  
3, line 11, and ending at page 3, line 23, with the following  
rewritten paragraphs:

--(5) The fifth invention is an oligonucleotide  
characterized in that the gene sequence of a spacer region  
between a gene coding 16S rRNA and a gene coding 23S rRNA of  
*Pectinatus frisingensis* has at least one of the following  
sequence group or the corresponding complementary sequence: